

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Ann M. Lees et al. Art Unit : 1644  
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Title : NOVEL LOW DENSITY LIPOPROTEIN BINDING PROTEINS AND THEIR  
USE IN DIAGNOSING AND TREATING ATHEROSCLEROSIS

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AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 25, 2006

Applicants thank the Examiner for the helpful telephone interview with the undersigned and Examiner Gambel on November 30, 2006, as well as the telephone interview with the undersigned and January 22, 2007.

Please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks